

House File 2143 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS
AFFAIRS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 513)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to permits to acquire and members of the armed
2 forces of the United States or this state serving on active
3 duty.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 724.15, subsection 2, Code 2014, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *f.* The person is a member of the armed
4 forces of the United States or this state serving on federal
5 active duty, state active duty, or national guard duty, as
6 defined in section 29A.1.

7 EXPLANATION

8 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
9 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

10 Under current law, a person who desires to acquire ownership
11 of any pistol or revolver is required to first obtain an annual
12 permit to acquire (purchase) and the person must meet certain
13 requirements and pay an annual fee. A person may be exempt
14 from this requirement if the person transferring the pistol
15 or revolver and the person acquiring the pistol or revolver
16 are licensed federal firearms dealers; the pistol or revolver
17 acquired is an antique firearm, a collector's item, a device
18 which is not designed or redesigned for use as a weapon,
19 a device which is designed solely for use as a signaling,
20 pyrotechnic, line-throwing, safety, or similar device, or a
21 firearm which is unserviceable by reason of being unable to
22 discharge a shot by means of an explosive and is incapable
23 of being readily restored to a firing condition; the person
24 acquiring the pistol or revolver is authorized to do so on
25 behalf of a law enforcement agency; transfers between certain
26 close relatives unless the person transferring the pistol
27 or revolver knows that the person acquiring the pistol or
28 revolver in this situation would otherwise be disqualified from
29 receiving a permit to acquire; or the person has obtained a
30 valid permit to carry weapons.

31 This bill adds a person who is a member of the armed forces
32 of the United States or this state serving on federal active
33 duty, state active duty, or national guard duty to this list
34 of exemptions.